



BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS

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Vincent Pusateri, II, Chairman

Daniel Sarefield

Linda M. Swears

MINUTES OF MEETING

The regular meeting of the Board of License Commissioners was held on June 1, 2015 in the Fitchburg Municipal Offices conference room, 166 Boulder Drive, Fitchburg, and called to order by Commissioner Vincent Pusateri at 6:00PM. Commissioners Sarefield and Swears were present.

The agenda consisted of the following:

I. REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The minutes of the meeting held on May 11, 2015 were reviewed, approved and signed.

II. CONTINUED APPLICATIONS

Janice Potter, St. Joseph Church for Special One Day All Alcoholic Beverages license for an Adult Dance from 7P – 11P on June 27, 2015 for 70-100 people in the church hall at 49 Woodland Street.

Ms. Janice Potter was present.

Approved 3/0

III. NEW APPLICATIONS

Wanda Jeanette Rupelt for Special One Day Wine and Malt Beverages license for a 50th Birthday Party from 1P – 6P on August 15, 2015 for 100 people at Saima Park.

Ms. Rupelt was present. Discussion regarding Crowd Manager and liability insurance resulted in the application being continued until June 15, 2015. Ms. Rupelt will inquire about hired bartenders taking out their own liability insurance.

Application continued until June 15, 2015 3/0

Linda E. Byrne for Special One Day Wine and Malt Beverages license for a Summer Festival from 11A – 9P on June 20, 2015 for 200 people at Saima Park club house.

Ms. Byrne was present.

Approved 3/0

IV. HEARINGS

SACF, Inc. d/b/a Beemer's Pub & Grill, 310 Main Street, for new, general on premise all alcoholic beverages license, Peter C. Cote, Sr., Manager

Hearing held. Mr. Peter Cote was present. Description of premises was amended without prejudice to the existing premise vs. future plans. Speaking in favor of the application was Mary Jo Bohart, Fitchburg Economic Development Director. No one spoke in opposition.

Hearing closed and application approved 3/0

Linda Meehan, d/b/a Iron Horse Lounge, 19 Airport Road for Transfer of annual, general on premise, all alcoholic beverages license to Iron Horse Lounge, Inc., Ashley Hardy-McCauliff, Manager.

Hearing held. Ms. Meehan was present. Ms. Meehan states that Ms. McCauliff, the proposed Manager of Record, works Tuesday through Saturday.

Hearing closed and application approved 3/0

V. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Mary Jo Bohart – Fitchburg Economic Development Director to discuss available pouring licenses.
Discussion with Ms. Bohart and Board members held. Discussion focused on the BYO practice of several establishments in Fitchburg despite that fact that several pouring licenses are available. Ms. Bohart presented for discussion the attached article from the Boston Globe regarding a similar situation currently happening in Boston area neighborhoods. She indicated that it will need more investigation to determine the reasons why the establishments in Fitchburg have not pursued a pouring license. Ms. Bohart will remain in contact with the Commission as she continues to work towards developing Fitchburg's economy.
2. Taxi Driver Application:
Steven J. Stevens
Approved 3/0
3. Continued discussion: new license format from State pertaining to Public Entertainment on Sunday.
Discussion regarding License Commission involvement for establishments that hold an annual or special one-day license to sell/serve alcohol.
No discussion. Continued to June 15, 2015 3/0
4. Correspondence – FPD Report 15-19632 – Reviewed.

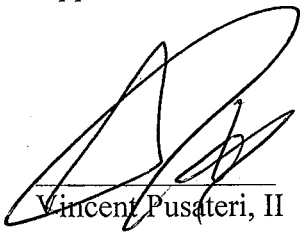
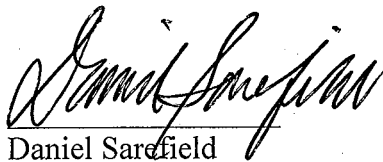
The meeting adjourned at 7:24PM

Respectfully submitted,



Anna M. Farrell
City Clerk

Approved:


Vincent Pusateri, II
Daniel Sarsfield

Linda M. Swears